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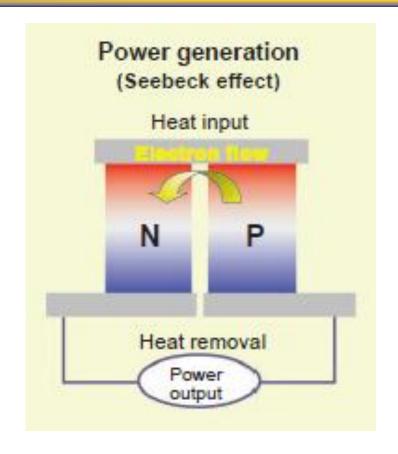
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- Materials Challeneges
- Advantages of Superatoms
- Fullerenes/Fullerides
- Progress
- Conlcusions



Thermoelectric Architecture



- Two materials in contact
 - N and P refer to desired direction that the electron wants to travel through the material
 - Examine electrons for P-type and holes for N-type
- Temperature differential allows for electron to be excited and released



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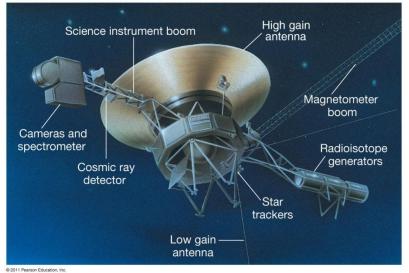
Mechanical: Photovoltaic:

Solid State Heat Pump electrons are working fluid Energy Harvester with thermal excitation instead of light



Where TE's are used today...









Departs Pearson Education, Inc.
http://www.aerospaceweb.org
voyager spacecraft







Newsroom.orange.co.uk/



Thermoelectric Interest & Relevance



AF Impacts Advantages

DEW Lasers Precision Temp Control

Satellites Reconfigurable, Long Life, No Vibrations

Pilot Suits <u>Independent of Orientation</u> & <u>g-forces</u>

UAVs, Sensors *Efficient for small applications*

Electronics Solid State, switchable



Air Force Research Laboratory TE Interest

Propulsion Directorate (AFRL/RZ)

Human Effectiveness (AFRL/RZH

Directed Energy Directorate (AFRL/RD)

Air Vehicle Directorate (AFRL/RB)

Space Vehicles Directorate (AFRL/RV)

Information Directorate (AFRL/RI)

Materials & Manufacturing Directorate (AFRL/RX)



Thermoelectric Efficiencies



If you want to cool a meat locker, use vapor compression cycle. If you want to cool a hot dog, use a thermoelectric.

Specific Power:

High Eff. Stirling 25 kW est.: 220 W/kg NASA Stirling 5 kW System: 140 W/kg Bi-Te Thermeoelctric 14.7 W: 300 W/kg

Similarly, thermoelectric energy harvesting on small scale can be better than other options.

UAV ~ 100W generator based on waste heat reutilization.
Replace mechanically based generator.
(ongoing program)

Notion that thermoelectrics are inefficient is misguided – question of scale.



Scramjet Characteristics Power and Thermal Challenges





- X-51 Waverider: Longest duration scramjet flight 2+ minutes at Mach 5
- High Speed Strike Weapon

Thermal

- High temperature heat loads
 - Large surface area
 - ΔT array of fuel cooling paths
- Heat capacity of fuel as heat sink
- Air inlet drag limitations
- Altitude convection

Power

- No rotating shaft
- High electrical power requirements
- Inlet air drag
- Altitude air breathing technologies

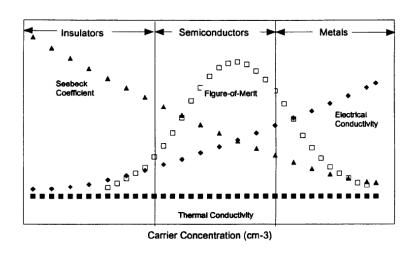


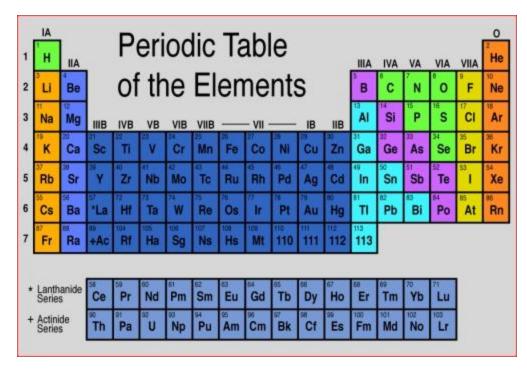
Relation to Thermoelectric Materials



$$ZT = \frac{(S(T))^2 \cdot \sigma(T)}{\kappa_e(T) + \kappa_l(T)} \cdot T$$

We want a phonon glass, electron crystal material.





 $\sigma(T)$ is electrical conductivity [S/cm] $\kappa(T)$ is thermal conductivity [W/(m*K)] S(T) is the Seebeck coefficient/thermopower [μ V/K]



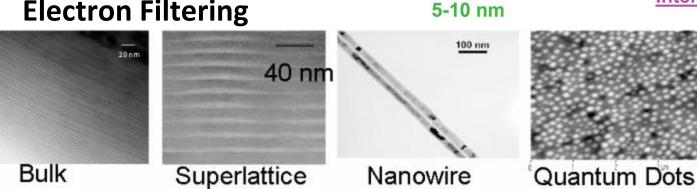
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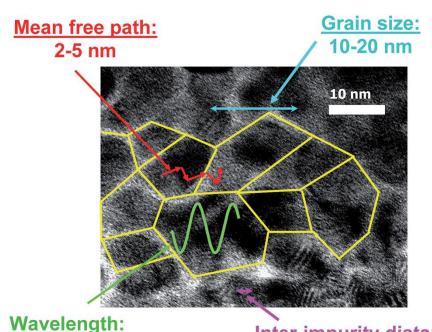


Decreasing thermal conductivity contribution

- Nanostructing
 - Superlattices (2D), nanowires (1D), and quantum dots (0D)
- **Doping with heavier element**
 - Allows for lower sound velocities
 - i.e. Bi_xSb_{2-x}Te₃, Si₈₀Ge₂₀

Electron Filtering





Inter-impurity distance: 1-2 nm



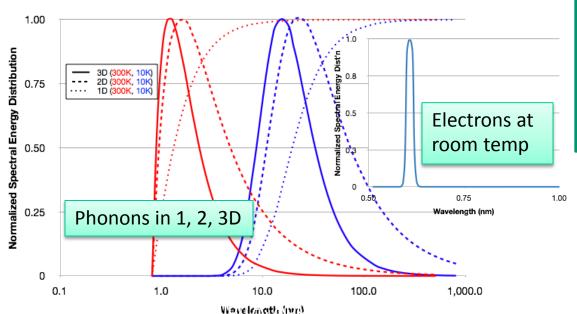
Phonon Glass Electron Crystals



PGEC: G. A. Slack, in "CRC Handbook of Thermoelectrics," edited by D. M Rowe (CRC Press, London), 1995, p. 407.

An ideal thermoelectric material will behave like a crystal in terms of electrical conductivity, but will behave like a glass in terms of thermal conductivity.

Electron wavelengths and phonon wavelengths are very different : <u>can be decoupled</u>.



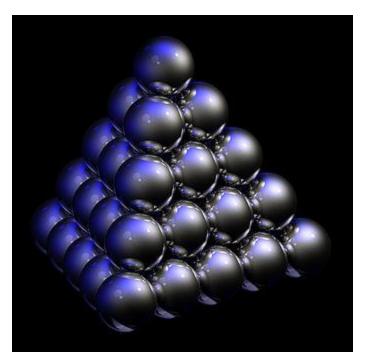
High σ / High κ Graphite Silver	High σ / Low κ ???	
Low σ / High κ Diamond	Low σ / Low κ Polymers Molecular Matls	

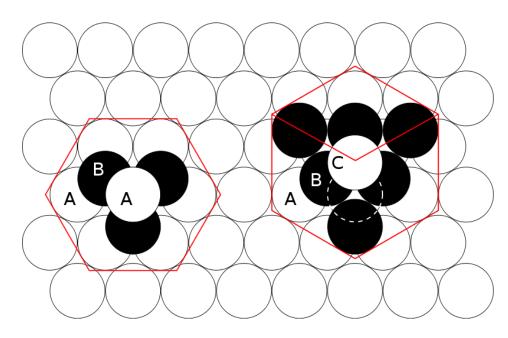
Fullerides as PGECs



Closest Packing Considerations: Agl Fast Ion Conduction







http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Close-packing

Silver Iodide: Great Example of Size Mismatch in CP Structures

Room Temperature: Wurtzite Structure Ag+ 1.15 A (115 pm)

Above 147 C, NaCl Structure I⁻ 2.20 A (220 pm)

Becomes Fast Ion Conductor (the silver sub-lattice melts)



Diminished Thermal Conductivity in Nanowires Importance of Interfaces

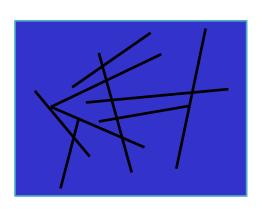


Silicon Nanowires as Efficient Thermoelectric Materials

A. I. Bouka, Y. Bunimovich, J. Tahir-Kheli, J.-K. Yu, W. A. Goddard, J. R. Heath, *Nature Letters*, *451*, 2008, 168-171.

Enhanced Thermoelectric Performance of Rough Silicon Nanowires

A. I. Hochbaum, R. Chen, R. D. Delgado, W. Liang, E. C. Garnett, M. Najarian, A. Majumdar, and P. Yang, *Nature Letters*, *451*, 2008, 163-168.



- Diameter of nanowire < phonon mean free path
- Charge can hop (real particle); phonon can't

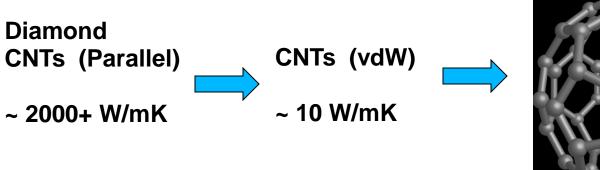
"While nanostructured thermoelectric materials can increase ZT>1, the materials (Bi, Te, Pb, Sb and Ag) and processes used are not often easy to scale to practically useful dimensions."



Build Thermoelectric Materials Incorporating Superatoms



Superatoms ~ cluster than can behave as a unit / have characteristics similar to an atom.



Buckyball ~ 0.5 W/mK

While fullerenes can be thought of as closest packing like atomic closest packing, there is a size mismatch relative to thermal energy transport. Within a buckyball, coupling length ~ 0.14 nm, but from inter-buckyball length ~ 1.5 nm.



C₆₀ Characteristics



Goal: Increase electrical conductivity of C₆₀

How? Fulleride formation

Goal: Decrease thermal conductivity of C_{60}

How? Fulleride formation



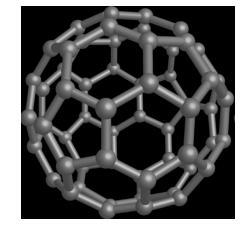


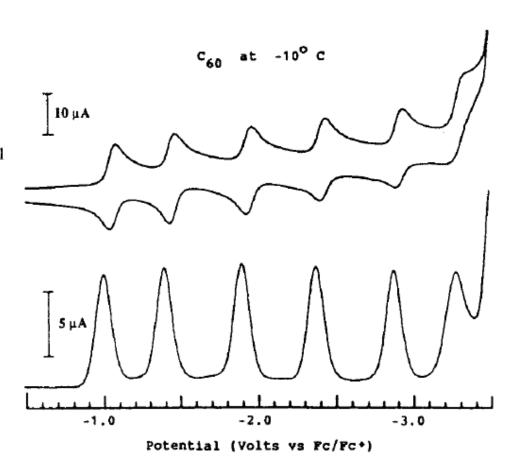
Why C₆₀?



- Inherently low thermal conductivity
- Similar to skutterudites
- Multiple charge/spin states

$$t_{1g}$$
 LUMO + 1
 t_{1u} LUMO



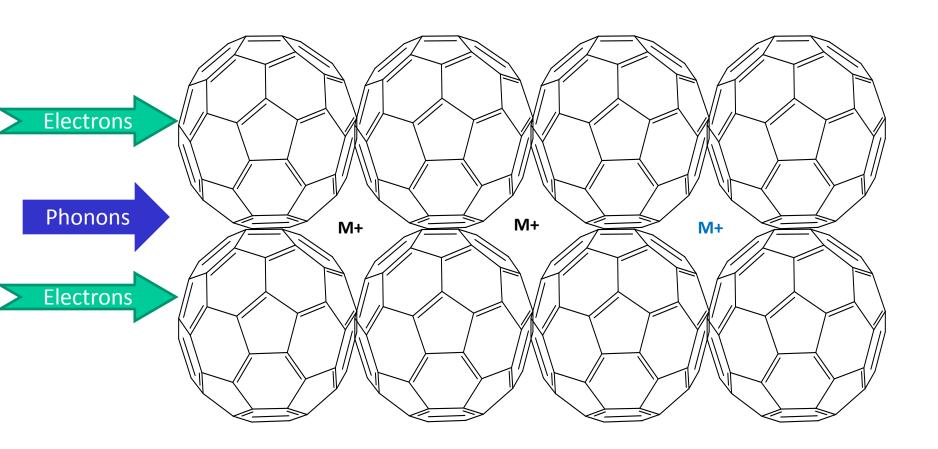


Potential for Jahn-Teller Distortion: "Selective e-phonon coupling"?



Rattler Effect in Fullerides





- Gigantic Rattler Effect?
- Alloying Enhancements (Lowering) of κ
- Uncouples electron and & phonon transport



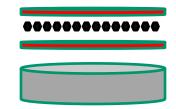
Synthesis of Materials



•Thin Film

Performed in a deep vacuum deposition chamber

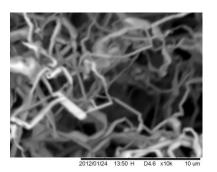
•Used magnetron sputtering to deposit zinc and thermal evaporator to deposit C₆₀



WetSynthesis

 Based on redox potentials of transition metals

Chemical Vapor Deposition •Grown in a process using a zoned furnace system and vacuum system







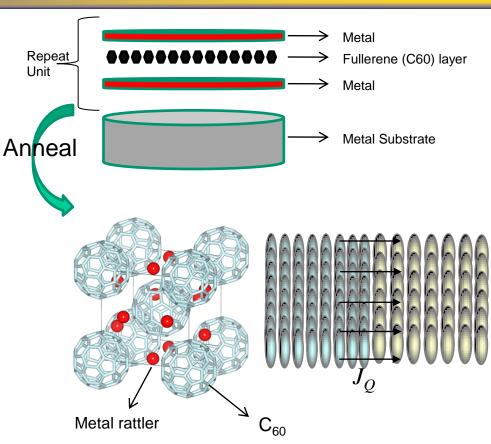
High Electrical Conductivity Phonon Blocking Layers



Objective: Demonstration of high electrical conductivity, low thermal conductivity phonon-blocking layer (PBL) formation through novel deposition and annealing techniques

Novel concepts addressed:

- Incorporation of nanoparticle scattering sites inside a thin film structure
- •Demonstration of a air stable metal fulleride (Zn C_{60})
- Demonstration of low thermal conductivity and high electrical conductivity of fulleride (rattlers)
- Demonstrate the use of thin film deposition technique for use in combinatorial analysis.



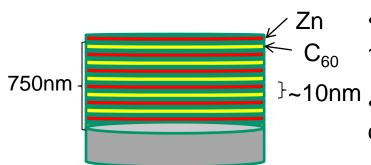


$$Z = \frac{S(T)^2 \sigma(T)}{\kappa(T)}$$



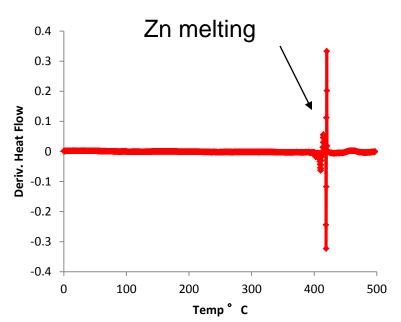
DSC of Zn C₆₀ layers



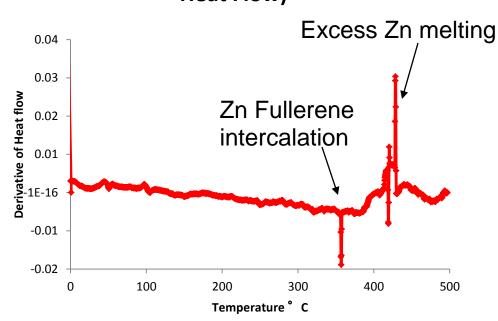


- Sample made with 75 layers. Each layer was
- ~10nm thick with alternating Zn/C₆₀
- \bullet Looking for exotherms and endotherms on DSC to confirm Zn intercalation into the C_{60}

Deriv. Heat Flow Pure Zn



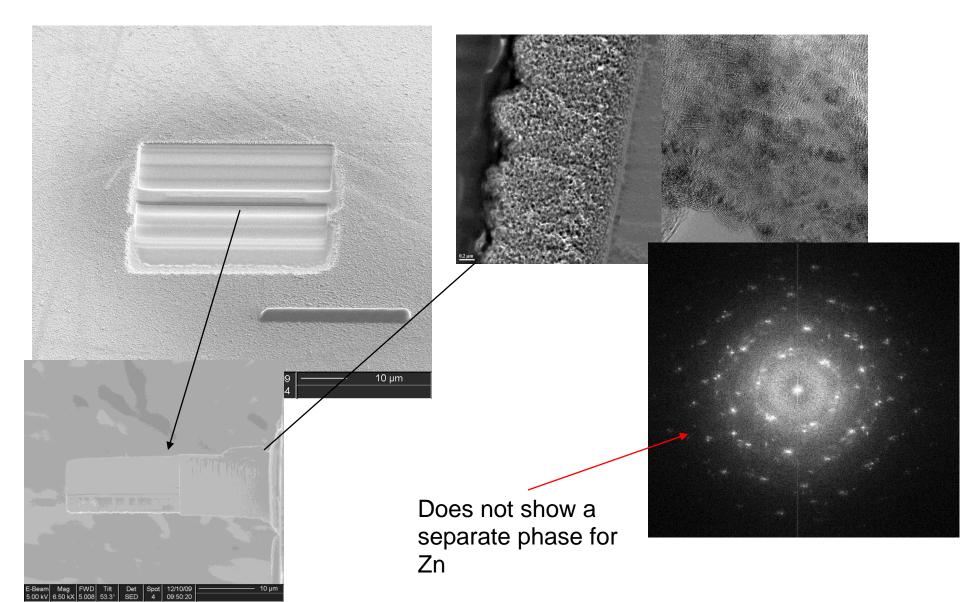
75 Layers Zn-C60 DSC (Derivative of Heat Flow)





TEM and e⁻ Diffraction

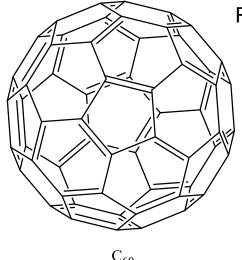






Wet Chemical Approaches





34 mg (0.047 mmol)

Reactants and solvent was mixed together in glove box to remove all oxygen

$$+$$
 $Zn_{(s)}$ $+$ NaOH $130 \text{ mg } (2 \text{ mmol, excess})$ $+$ 400 mg (10 mmol)

20 mL of THF

Top Layer:
THF + NaC₆₀

Bottom Layer:

H₂O + Zn(OH)₂ + unreacted starting materia

Reactants do not dissolve in THF, vial is sealed with a septum and removed from glove box

$$Zn \rightarrow Zn^{2+} + 2e^{-} = +0.76 \text{ V}$$

5 mL of de-oxygenated water is added via syringe

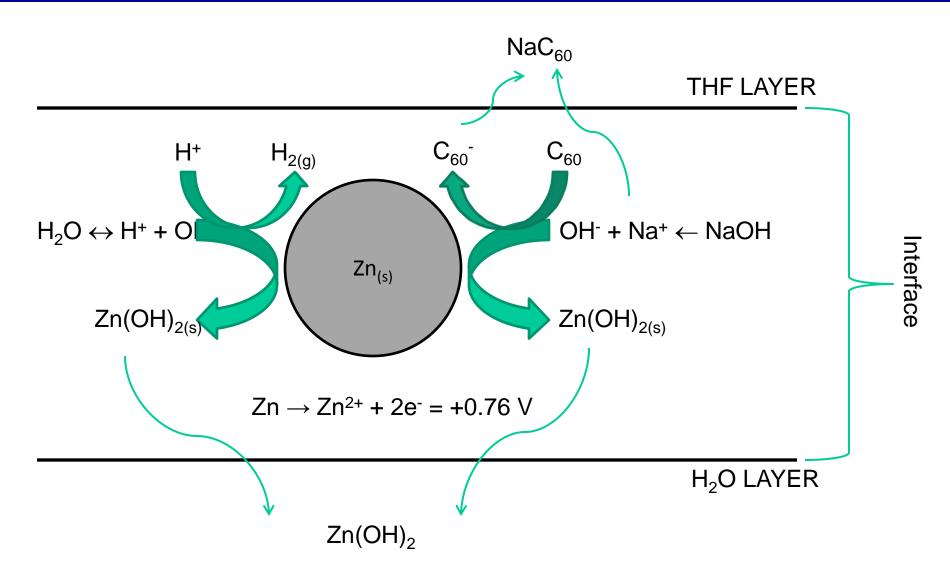
- Water was boiled for 20 minutes to removed noncondensed gases, then cooled and mineral oil was added to the surface, then nitrogen was bubbled through water for 30 minutes

Rapid reaction occurred, H₂ gas evolved, two layers produced



Proposed Mechanism of Reaction







Synthetic Protocol for Metal Fullerides



Procedure: Based on Redox Potentials of Starting Materials and Solvents and Activity Series of Metals Involved

Reactants and solvent was mixed together

in glove box to remove all oxygen

Zn(NO₃)₂ + NaOH

 C_{60} + $Zn_{(s)}$ + $Zn(OH)_2$ < < 34 mg (0.047 mmol) 130 mg (2 mmol, excess) 1 g (10 mmol)

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Reaction occurred much slower, H₂ gas evolved, two layers produced to an extent **Sodium Nitrate Contaminents!**

Top Layer = THF + $Zn_x(C_{60})_y$ Bottom Layer = $H_20 + Zn(OH)_2 + unreacted starting materials$



Standard Reduction Potentials for Fullerene



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E _{4/2} of various	C _{co} anions in	i solvents in U.	1 M (TBA)CIO ₄
-1/2	60		(, 4

Solvent	C_{60}^{0}/C_{60}^{-}	C_{60}^{-}/C_{60}^{2-}	C_{60}^{2} - $/C_{60}^{3}$ -	C_{60}^{3} - C_{60}^{4}
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THF	-0.33	-0.92	-1.49	-1.99
THF	-0.35	-0.93	-1.43	-2.01
DMF	-0.26	-0.72	-1.31	-1.85
DMSO	-0.16	-0.66		

Reduction Potentials of C₆₀

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Solvent	C_{60}^{0}/C_{60}^{-}	C_{60}^{-1}/C_{60}^{-2}	$C_{60}^{2} - C_{60}^{3}$	C_{60}^{3-}/C_{60}^{4-}
ACN		-0.735	-1.225	-1.685
DMF	-0.312	-0.772	-1.362	-1.902
Aniline	-0.396	-0.693	-1.158	-1.626
Benzonitr.	-0.397	-0.817	-1.297	-1.807
DCM	-0.468	-0.858	-1.308	-1.758
THF	-0.473	-1.063	-1.633	-2.133
Chlorofor.	-0.554	-0.908		

Aprotic Polar Solvents

Dichloromethane

Tetrahydrofuran

Ethyl Acetate

Acetone

DMF

Acetonitrile

DMSO

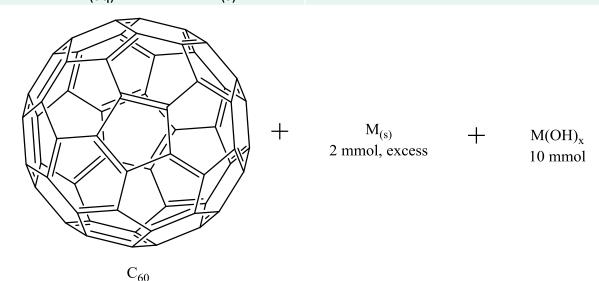
Reaction seems to prefer certain aprotic polar solvents



Standard Reduction Potentials for Viable Metals



Reduction Potential for Metals in Water			
Half-Reaction	E° (V)		
$Fe^{2+}_{(aq)} + 2e^{-} \rightarrow Fe_{(s)}$	-0.44		
$\operatorname{Cr^{3+}}_{(aq)} + 3e^{-} \rightarrow \operatorname{Cr}_{(s)}$	-0.74		
$Zn^{2+}_{(aq)} + 2e^{-} \rightarrow Zn_{(s)}$	-0.76		
$Mn^{2+}_{(aq)} + 2e^{\scriptscriptstyle{-}} \longrightarrow Mn_{(s)}$	-1.18		
$Al^{3+}_{(aq)} + 3e^{-} \rightarrow Al_{(s)}$	-1.66		



0.047 mmol



Synthetic Protocol for Metal Fullerides



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5.00 g C_{60}
19.1 g Zn_{(s)} granular
1 L THF
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Placed into a 2 L round bottom flask, sealed with a septum, and removed from the glove box

150 g of freshly made Zn(OH)₂ needs to be synthesized

Re-dissolved in 1 L ammonium hydroxide

[Zn(NH₃)₄](OH)₂

Syringed into 2 L round bottom React at 45 °C for 5 days

270.75 g of Zn(SO₄) · H₂O dissolved into 2 L of water

Add 203.75 mL of NH₄Ol

 $Zn(OH)_2$

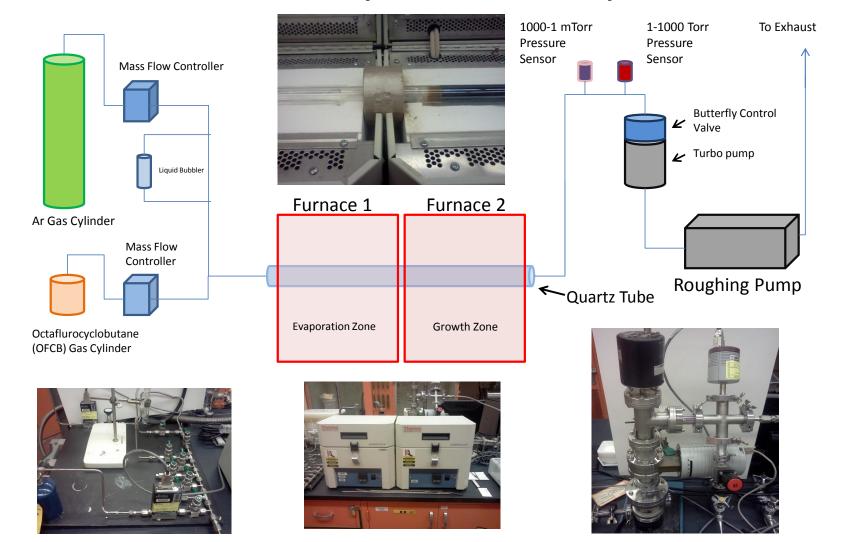
Zinc Fulleride (+ 7 grams of product, brown powder)

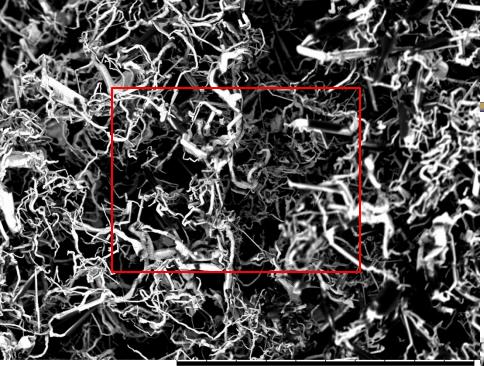


Zn Nanowires +



Schematic Layout of CVD system





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Region 1 (x500)

Region 1 (x1000)

Zn wires with C60 coating

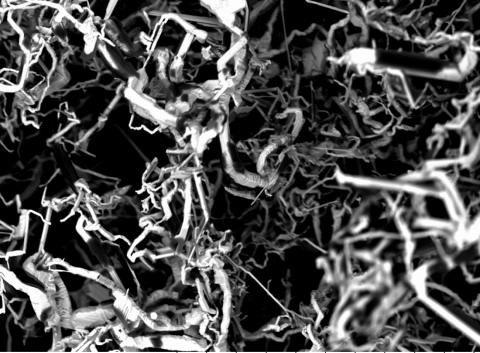
Hold Zn boat at 950° C/325° C for 15 hr Maintain constant 3 Torr and 50 SCCM Ar

Cool to RT and swap out empty boat for C60 boat

Hold at 1000° C/350° C for 15 hr Maintain constant 3 Torr and 100 SCCM Ar

Note: All pictures can be enlarged while keeping good picture

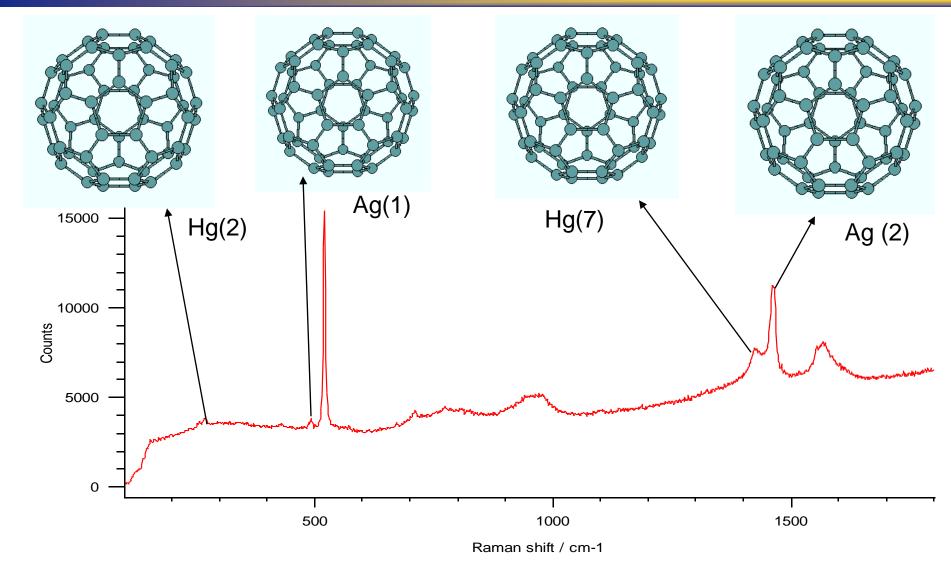
quality.





Raman Modes in Neutral C₆₀







Raman Spectroscopy of Zn_xC₆₀



Landau damping and lifting of vibrational degeneracy in metallic potassium fulleride

J. Winter and H. Kuzmany Universität Wien, Institut für Festkörperphysik, Strudlhofgasse 4, A-1090 Wien, Austria (Received 21 July 1995)

- A rather strong shift of vibrational modes as a consequence of charge transfer
- The electron-phonon interaction may well be considered in a case as the reason for the broadening and for the shift of the lines and electron-phonon coupling constants may be deduce
- For the description of the relation between phonon linewidth and electron-phonon coupling constants for a single particle excitation Allen's formula may be used

$$\gamma_i = \frac{1}{g_i} \frac{\pi}{2} N(0) \lambda_i \omega_{bi}^2$$

 γ_i Is the full width at half max of the line

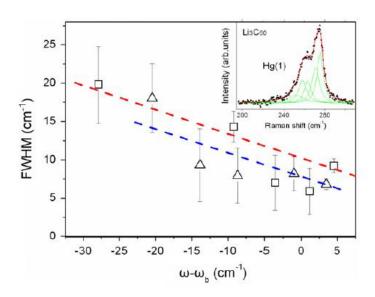
N(0)Density of States at the Fermi level per spin and molecule

 λ_i and g_i Dimensionless electron phonon coupling constants ω_{bi}

Bare phonon frequency before coupling to the electrons

Raman study of the electron-phonon interaction in light alkali metal intercalated metallic fullerides

Mingguang Yao^{1,2}, Vittoria Pischedda¹ and Alfonso San Miguel¹



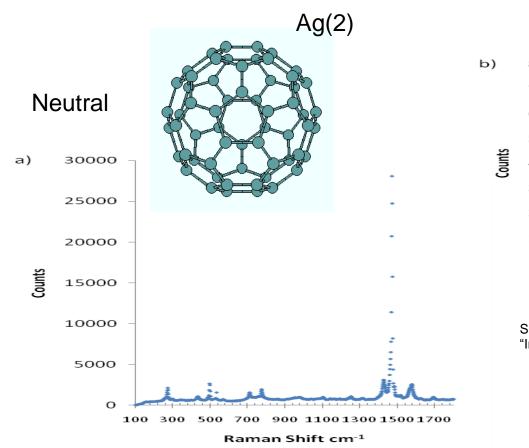
Electron-phonon coupling uses the phonon widths measured in Raman scattering. In metallic systems a phonon can decay in an electronhole pair excitation. The extra width due to this decay is a measure of the coupling.

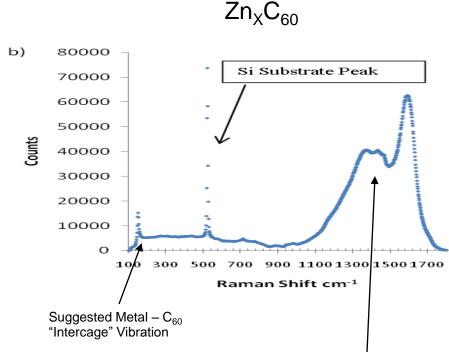


Raman Spectroscopy of Zn_xC₆₀ thin film



Sample is 75 Layers of C_{60} and Zn (C_{60} and Zn Layers are 10nm thick) After Annealing in furnace at 400 $^{\circ}\,$ C



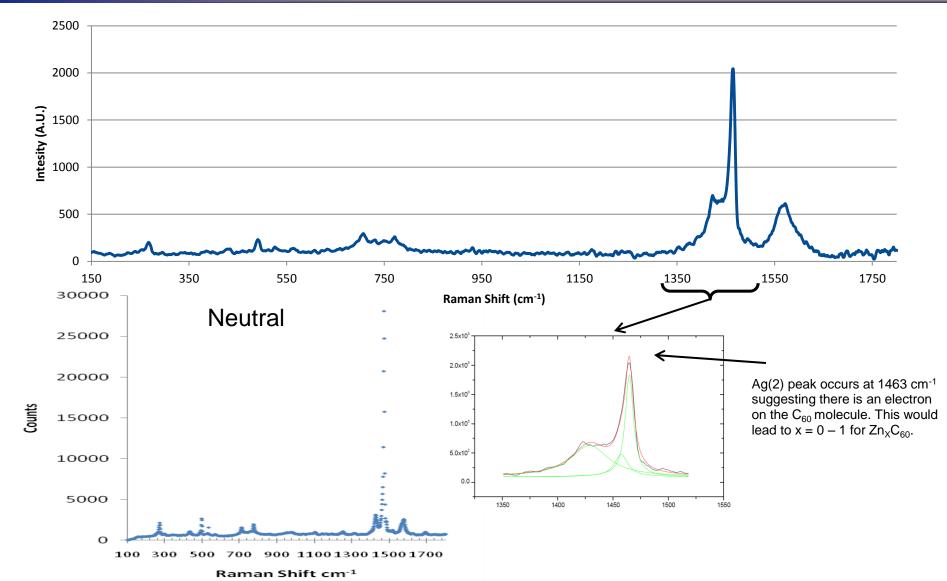


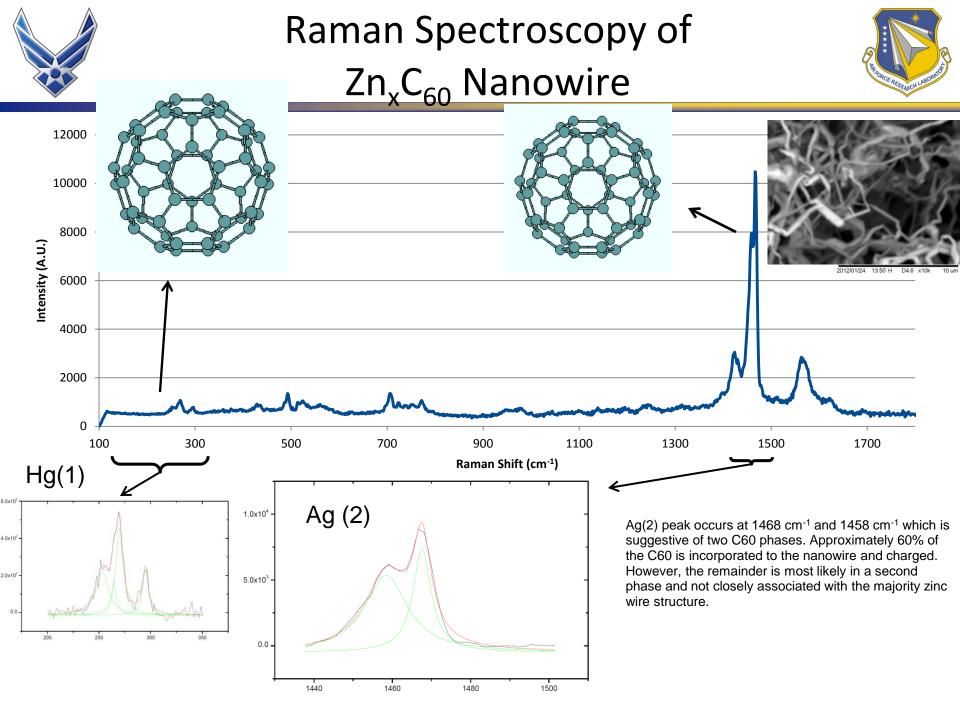
This compound shows a shift of approximately 30 cm $^{-1}$ which would suggest that the C_{60} molecule is holding between 4 and 5 electrons advocating x = 2 - 3 for Zn_xC_{60} .



Raman Spectroscopy of Zn_xC₆₀ produced by bulk synthesis route









Thermal Properties of Fulleride

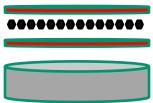


Compound

•Thin Film

•Wet **Synthesis** Chemical Vapor

Deposition



$$\kappa = 0.13 \text{ W/(m*K)}$$
TDTR

$$\kappa = 0.24 \text{ W/(m*K)}$$
HotDisk

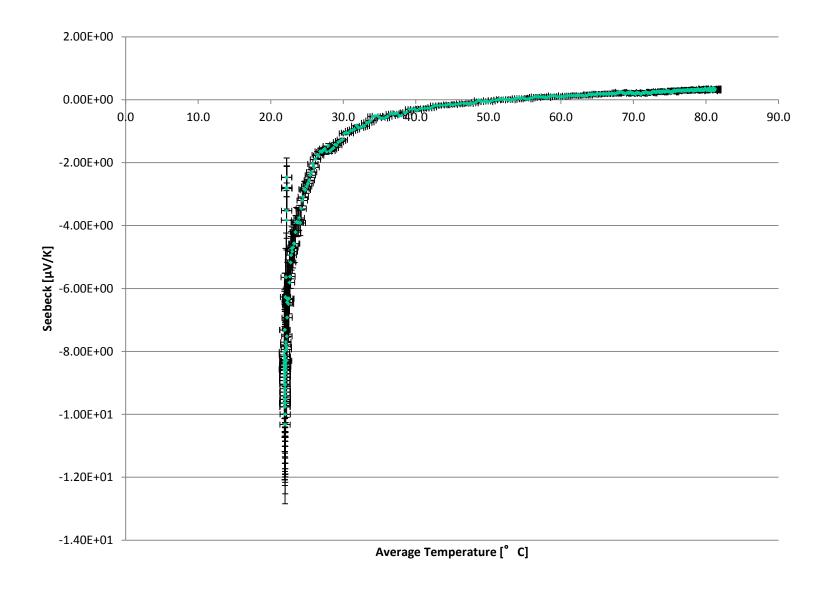
$$\kappa = 3 - 5 \text{ W/(m*K)}$$
HotDisk

Thermal Conductivity of Glass = 1 W/(m*K)

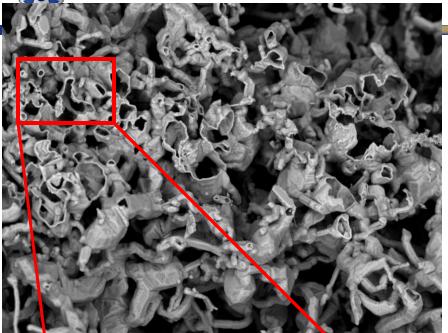


Zn-Fulleride + Zn Nanowire Composites



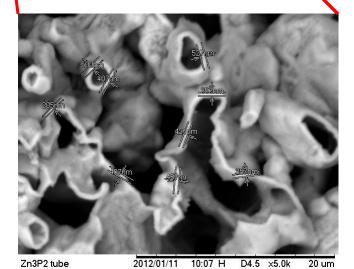


Zinc Phosphide Nanotube Growth

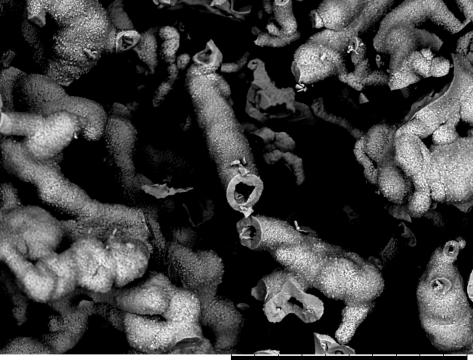


Zn3P2 tube

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- Zinc nanowire were first grown under std conditions and then Red Phosphorus was evaporated and reacted on the tubes
- Zn₃P₂ Micro/Nanotubes were grown
- Two distinct types of tubes were identified
- Possible reaction mechanism is presented

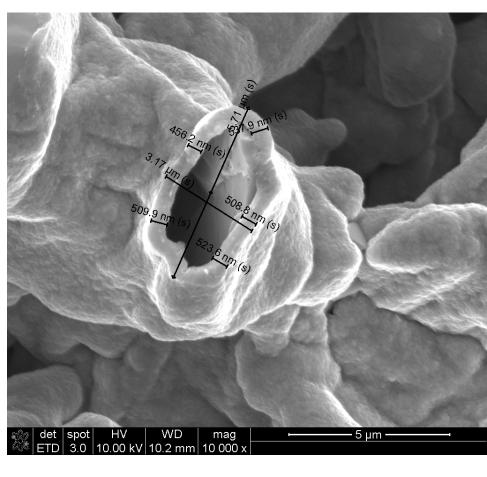


7n3P2 tube









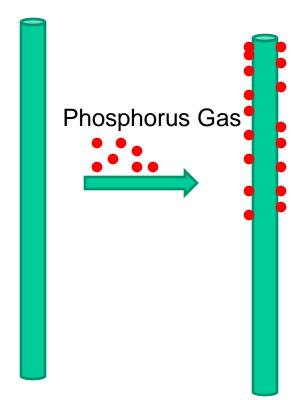


Self Templated growth of Zinc Phosphide Nanotube Growth



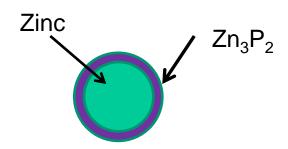
Phosphorus reaction with ZNW

Zinc Nanowire



Wire Cross Section

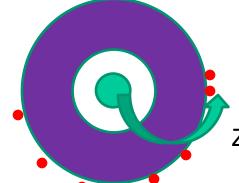
Initial creation of Zn₃P₂ monolayer



Zn₃P₂ Nanotube Growth

Initiation and reaction held at 400° C
Zinc Phosphide

Zinc Phosphide growth is mediated by template of the Zinc wires that initiate the reaction.



Zinc diffusing out of core



Confirmation Tests to Identify Fulleride Product



- 1. UV/Vis-NIR: Examine Near Infrared region of spectrum to determine oxidation state of fulleride ion. Each oxidation state has very specific $\lambda_{max(es)}$ in this region.
- 2. RF-ICP: Determine counter-ion/cation to fulleride
 - The ICP analysis of the THF solution containing $Zn_x(C_{60})_y$ had emission peaks at 213.86 nm from the contents of zinc and 193.09 nm from the carbon contents.
 - Leads us to believe that C_{60} is present with Zn^{2+} as its counter-ion.
- 3. XPS: Determine surface molecular contents of crystallized complexes of products collected
- 4. Raman: Determine vibrational modes present in crystallized samples.
- 5. EPR: Determine if fullerene is holding a charge.
- 6. ¹³C-NMR: Amount of downfield shift can also determine oxidation state of fulleride, as well as determine if fulleride is present and intact
- 7. SEM of powder appeared to be homogenous



Conclusions



- 3 different preparation routes for fulleride synthesis
- Demonstration of ultra-low thermal conductivities
- Gradient sample were able to produce thousands of different stoichiometries on one sample





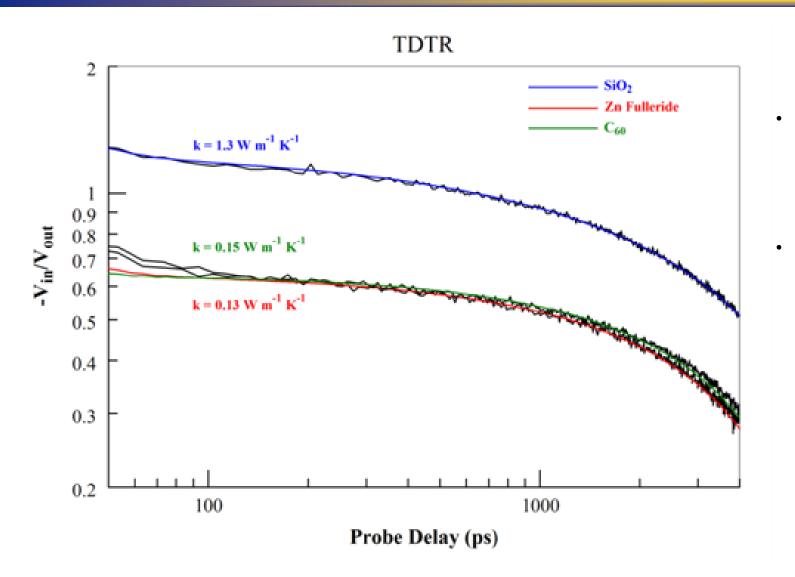
Questions?













Third Remarkable Fullene Characteristic: Fulleride Formation



"High" Tc Molecular Superconductors

Table 6.3. Lattice constants (a_0) and position of the alkali elements for A_3C_{60} fullerides at ambient temperature

A_3C_{60}	a_0 (Å)	$A_1(T)A_2(T)A_3(O)$	Туре	$T_{\rm c}$ (K)
Cs ₃ C ₆₀			A15	40 ^a
RbCs ₂ C ₆₀	14.555	Rb(T)Cs(T)Cs(O)	fcc	33
KCs ₂ C ₆₀	unstable		fcc	
Rb ₂ CsC ₆₀	14.431	Rb(T)Rb(T)Cs(O)	fcc	31
Rb ₃ C ₆₀	14.384	Rb(T)Rb(T)Rb(O)	fcc	29
KRb ₂ C ₆₀	14.337	K(T)Rb(T)Rb(O)	fcc	27
K ₂ CsC ₆₀	14.292	K(T)K(T)Cs(O)	fcc	24
K ₂ RbC ₆₀	14.267	K(T)K(T)Rb(O)	fcc	23
K ₃ C ₆₀	14.240	K(T)K(T)K(O)	fcc	19
Na ₂ CsC ₆₀	14.126	Na(T)Na(T)Cs(O)	$fcc \rightarrow sc$	12
Na ₂ RbC ₆₀	14.092	Na(T)Na(T)Rb(O)	$fcc \rightarrow sc$	3.5
Na2KC ₆₀	14.122	Na(T)Na(T)K(O)	$fcc \rightarrow sc$	2.5
Na ₃ C ₆₀	14.191	Na(T)Na(T)Na(O)	fcc ^b	< 2 K
Li ₂ CsC ₆₀	14.075	Li(T)Li(T)Cs(O)	fcc	< 50 mK
Li ₂ CsC ₆₀ [#]	14.008	Li(T)Li(T)Cs(O)	fcc	< 50 mK
Li ₂ KC ₆₀	13.896	Li(T)Li(T)Rb(O)		< 50 mK
Li ₂ KC ₆₀	multiphase			
$Na_2Cs(NH_3)_4C_{60}$	14.473	$Na(T)Cs(T)Na(NH_3)_4(O)$	fcc	30
Ba_6C_{60}	11.182		bcc	6
Sr_6C_{60}	10.975		bcc	4
Ca ₅ C ₆₀	14.01		sc	8.5
Yb _{2.75} C ₆₀	superlattice		orthorhombic	6
Sm _{2.75} C ₆₀	superlattice		orthorhombic	8

^a Under hydrostatic pressure.

 M_xC_{60}

X =
Alkali
Alkaline Earth
Transition Metal
Rare Earth Metal
Main Group

Many fullerides known; semiconductive fullerides relatively unexplored!

b Stable at T > 180 K. # Different batch of samples.

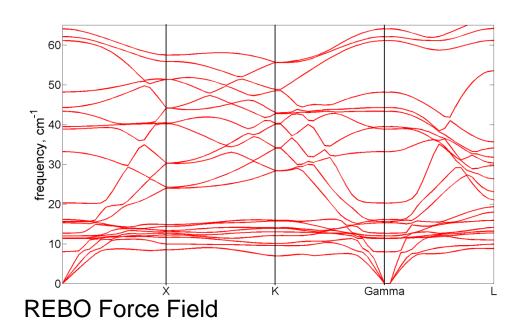
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PHYSICAL REVIEW B

C₆₀ FCC Dispersion – Validation





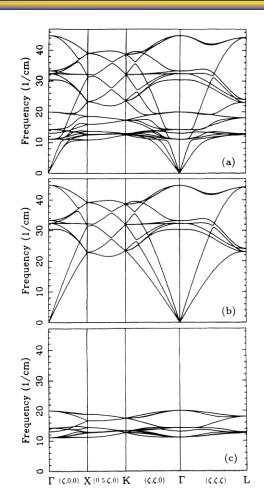
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Ground-state structural and dynamical properties of solid C_{60} from an empirical intermolecular potential

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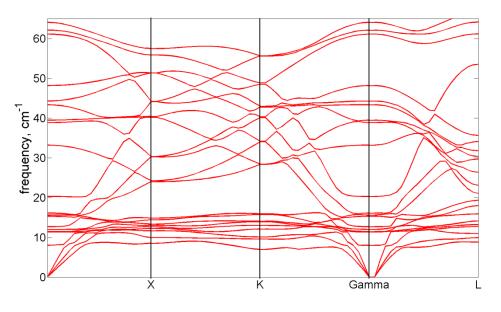
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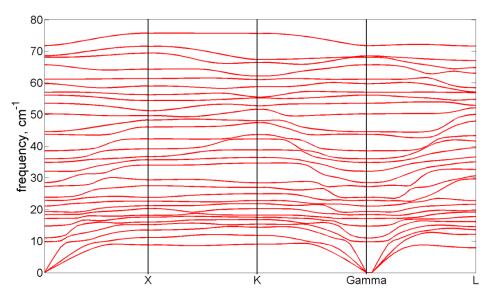
Ba₃C₆₀ BCC Dispersion and C_v





 C_{60} $C_{v} = 0.026824 \text{ eV/K}$

Molecule breaks symmetry – lattice constants 9.98, 12.80, 12.83



 Ba_3C_{60} $C_v = 0.015051 \text{ eV/K}$

Still plotting the high symmetry points of FCC. Group velocities appear lower

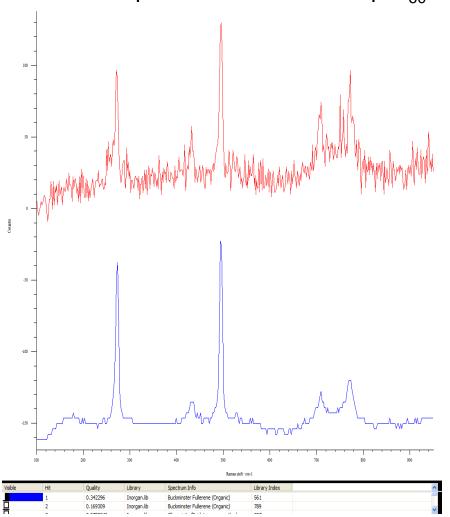
$$k = \frac{1}{3}C_{v}v_{g}l$$

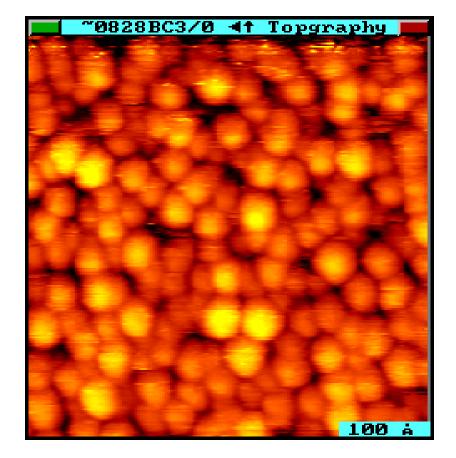


Thermal Evaporation of C₆₀



Raman Spectra of Thermal Evap C₆₀





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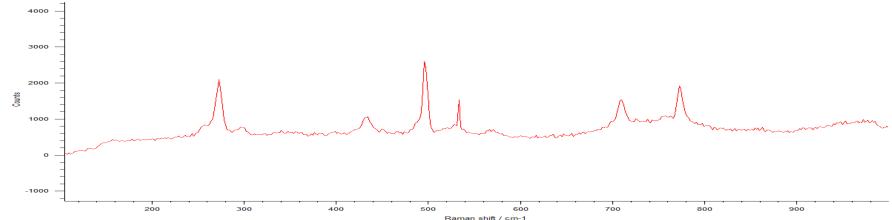


Raman Spectroscopy of C₆₀

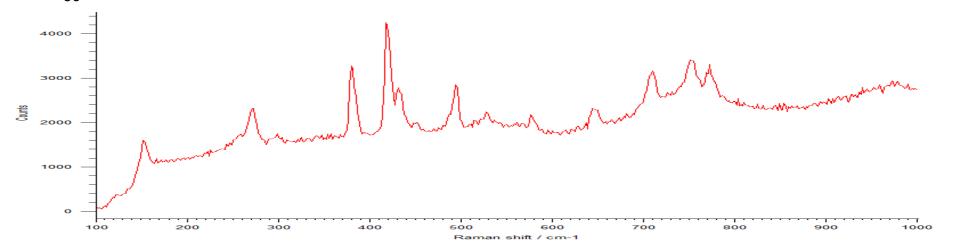


Sample is 75 Layers of C_{60} and Zn (C_{60} and Zn Layers are 10nm thick) After Annealing in furnace at 400 $^{\circ}\,$ C

Pure C60 – Deposited by Thermal Evap



Zn-C₆₀ after the anneal

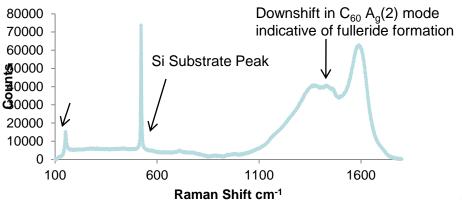


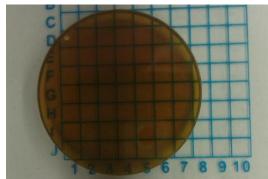


Project Results: Increased σ , Decreased κ And ...

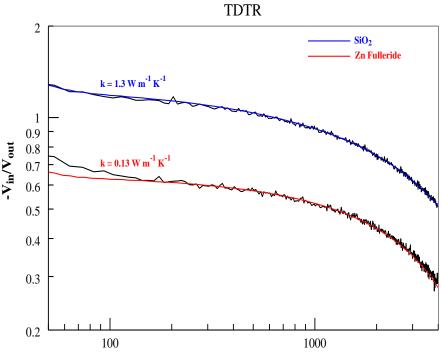


Zn_xC₆₀ after Anneal Step





Time domain thermal reflectance data of Fulleride materials shows a 10x reduction in Thermal conductivity compared to glass



SUCCESSES:

- •Exceptionally good phonon blocking achieved with a ~10⁸ (S/cm) increase in electrical conductivity
- Contruction of automated thermal evaporator for layered materials synthesis
- Unanticipated optically transparent electrically conductive films created